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House Bill 602

By: Representatives Cooper of the 41st, Amerson of the 9th, Houston of the 170th, Burmeister of the 119th, and Coan of the 101st

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 2 known as the "Georgia Medical Assistance Act of 1977," so as to require that
- 3 immunosuppressives for the treatment of transplantation be included in any approved
- 4 formulary and covered for patients enrolled in Medicaid or any state funded health care
- 5 program; to prohibit prior authorization requirements or other restrictions under Medicaid
- 6 or any state funded health care program on immunosuppressives prescribed for transplant
- 7 patients; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 SECTION 1.

- 10 Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, known as the
- 11 "Georgia Medical Assistance Act of 1977," is amended by adding a new Code Section
- 12 49-4-146.4 to read as follows:
- 13 "49-4-146.4.
- 14 (a) Immunosuppressives which are approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration
- 15 for the treatment of transplantation shall be included in any approved formulary and
- 16 covered for patients enrolled in Medicaid or any state funded health care program.
- 17 (b) No requirement for prior authorization or other restrictions may be imposed under
- Medicaid or any state funded health care program on medications prescribed for patients
- 19 for the treatment of transplantation for immunosuppressives which are approved by the
- federal Food and Drug Administration."
- 21 SECTION 2.
- 22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.